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LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

J.C. Wylie was here from Greenville Friday.

W. W. McDowell is in the northern and eastern markets selecting a spring stock.

Mrs. W. E. Marshall is in New York purchasing her spring millinery stock.

Clint Thompson has purchased the home of Rev J. H. Wofford in West McKinney.

Mrs. Coffey, wife of jailor Coffey, has been sick three week's with typhoid fever.

Doc Turner's smoke house was burglarized of three hams one night last week.

Miss Myrtle Terry of Dallas is the guest of Miss Adell Rhine in this city.

Messrs Brantley are erecting a new residence for A. J. Commons on his farm east of town.

Druggist J. Frank Smith and merchant W. A. Harroldson were here from Princeton Friday.

Mrs. R. W. Sandifer of Plano visited here the latter part of last week.

Bob Fisher, the extensive Foncine grain grower, reports his wheat in fine condition.

Frank Welch, of Sulpher Springs, is a late recruit to Ed & Will's corps of tonsorial artists.

Master Silas Lucas has returned from a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. B. Hammock, at Ennis.

Dr. H. H. Robbins, veterinary surgeon, paid Van Alstyne a professional visit the latter part of last week.

Joe Tayloy of Foncine was in town Friday. Joe is writing life insurance now and is a hustler at the business.

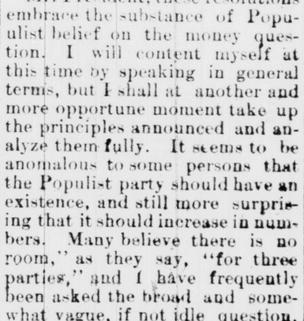
John L. Chambers of Rockhill was in town Saturday. Mr. Chambers was one the greatest sufferers from the destructive hail storm last spring.

Barney Lewis was in town Friday. He may possibly locate at Ferris in the near future to practice law.

Capt. Rhea attended the state dairymen's convention in Waco Saturday. He is a member of the Ross monument committee and also met with that committee while in Waco.

McKinney & Hill are rearranging their business with a view of adding a line of buggies to their stock. Their harness repairing department will henceforth be on the second floor.

Smith Conner had his arm broken Friday in Griffins gin, this city. Smith and some other boys were playing when a bale of cotton rolled over on him.



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SENATOR ALLEN'S SPEECH

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He Boldly Defends Paper Money Redeemable Solely by Taxation.

Railroads, Telegraphs, and Telephones Should be Owned by the Government.

People's Party Will Live When Both Old Parties Are Buried and Forgotten.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, recently offered the following resolution in the United States Senate and made the following speech in support thereof:

"Resolved, That the United States should, without delay and without waiting for the consent of foreign nations, begin and thereafter continue the free and unrestricted coinage of standard silver at the present legal ratio of sixteen parts of standard silver to one part of standard gold; that such coinage should be supplemented by a safe and sound national paper money, to be issued directly by the government and without the intervention of banks, which should be a full legal tender for all debts, public and private, and should be issued in an amount sufficient to meet the demands of the business population of the country and restore the just level of prices of labor and production; that an increase of the public interest-bearing debt should be prohibited, and no government bonds should be issued or sold except by specific act of Congress authorizing the same, and then only in cases of pressing necessity; that all laws authorizing individuals to demonetize or discriminate against any form of money by private or special contract should be repealed, and the government in the discharge of its obligations should use its opinion as to the kind of lawful money in which they are to be paid, and such option should never be surrendered to the holders of government securities."

Mr. President, these resolutions embrace the substance of Populist belief on the money question. I will content myself at this time by speaking in general terms, but I shall at another and more opportune moment take up the principles announced and analyze them fully. It seems to be anomalous to some persons that the Populist party should have an existence, and still more surprising that it should increase in numbers. Many believe there is no room," as they say, "for three parties," and I have frequently been asked the broad and somewhat vague, if not idle question, "What do the Populists propose to do, and what do you want, anyway?"

The Populist party wants, in the first place, without delay and without waiting for the consent of any other nation, the free and unrestricted coinage of gold and silver at the present legal ratio. This has been discussed so frequently in the public journals, on the hustings, and in Congress, that there is not much new to be said on it so far as its academic features are concerned, but it involves the quantitative theory of money, and I believe those who oppose that theory have been driven from the field of discussion and defeated at every point. I think no man lives or ever will live who can demonstrate that the plutocratic theory of money—namely, that its value is in the substance on which it is stamped or printed—is correct, while I think every school child of intelligence and of fair education can show that the sole value, of money, is in the office or function of circulation and exchange. But when the money function ceases and the substance enters the commercial world, a different rule applies.

This being true, and it likewise being true that the volume of money in a given country must at all times be equivalent in its exchange value to the sum of all other thing held for trade in that country, it is important that the volume should be such as will give every laborer fair compensation for his work and every man who has anything to market a fair price for his commodity. This cannot be done under the single gold standard, for the simple reason, if for no other, that there is not enough gold in the world to perform the work required of money, and I use the expression "money" in its comprehensive sense as embracing both money and currency as those words are commonly used. These are some of the things the Populist part wants.

The second proposition is that the volume of gold and silver coin should be supplemented by full legal-tender paper money issued directly by the government, and that private associations should under no circumstances be permitted to issue notes for circulation, for if one should be given the power, all should have it, and currency would be issued without restriction and become as worthless as shavings.

Sound policy requires that the power of issuing money, being sovereign in its nature, should remain in Congress, where it is placed by the Constitution. Any abandonment of the power by Congress would be in violation of the Constitution and be bound to lead to bad results, and would, by giving the right of sudden expansion and contraction, to be used in the interest of the association to whom it should be given, to the injury of the people. The issuance of bank notes costs every human being in the United States annually 3 cents per head, and this tax is unnatural, unjust, and inexcusable, and in a government where conscience and justice are the ruling motives of legislators, could not exist. Legal tender notes are issuable by the government under the Constitution, as has been declared in a half a dozen or more cases by the Supreme Court, and in a score of well-considered cases by the courts of last resort of many of the states.

Of course such a volume of money should not be without limitation, for if it were not limited it would be as worthless as a volume of valueless national bank notes. In fact, all money, whether coin or paper, must be limited to preserve the equity of contracts and measure truly the value of property and services. In the case of coin, nature fixes the limit, and we call it the automatic theory of limitation. In the other case Congress, the lawmaking authority of the government, would be required to rigidly limit the issuance of money. There is much difference of opinion as to whether paper notes should be redeemable in coin by the government or not. I hold that a reasonable volume of full legal-tender paper money, anticipating the revenues of the government, redeemable therein, and receivable for all public debts and dues, is a sufficient redemption, and that such money can be sustained at par with another.

To permit national banks to issue money is not only a flagrant and inexcusable abandonment of the sovereign power to issue money, but it places a dangerous instrument in the hands of the few for their own pecuniary benefit at the expense of the millions. I cannot believe that national banks are altogether patriotic institutions. I do not believe that in increasing the volume of money, or in decreasing it, as they are doing now, they would be actuated by anything like patriotism and a due regard for the public welfare. I think, like all others engaged in private enterprises to advance their own pecuniary condition, they would be guided solely by the consideration whether they would make money by contraction or expansion, and thus the power would be placed in their hands to contract the volume of money and thereby throw millions out of employment, shrink the value of property to a point where they might buy it for one-half, or less, its actual value, and then, by a system of sudden and wild expansion and contraction, buy and sell to their own private advantage, and thus the endless process of bankruptcy and inflated periods go on as the result of their exercise of this power, to the infinite injury of the people.

Mr. President, the power is dangerous from another standpoint. We cannot shut our eyes to the fact that the money power dominates every branch of the government, while the people are deceived into believing that this is a popular government, in which that have a full share. It is a government by the few and for the few. If this power of issuing money were turned over to the national banks, it would be but a comparatively short time until the masses would be practically deprived of their right to vote or to participate in the government in any form, and we would pass from the semblance of a republic into a complete aristocracy, without any pretense of a government by the people. These consequences are fearful to contemplate, and the power is too great and decidedly to delicate to be intrusted to the few. We should not imperil the interests of present and future generations by farming out this right to associations. I hold every man to be an enemy of his country, whether conscientiously or not I do not pretend to say, who would turn over the power to make and issue money to private institutions. It would be just as well, as patriotic, and as wise to farm out the right to command the army, or the navy, or to render judicial decision, or to perform any other duty that is public and sovereign in its character; expecting them to deal justly in the interests of all, as to expect national banks to take into consideration the public welfare in the issuance of money. I am, have ever been, and shall always remain decidedly opposed to the issue power of national banks.

The volume of money should, of course, as I have said, be sufficient to meet the business demands of the country and to restore and maintain the just level of prices of labor and production. Inasmuch as population and wealth increase annually a little less than 3 per cent., the volume should keep pace with that increases, thus giving a contract made to-day the same value in human production five years from now that it possessed at the moment it was made, and no more. A law that will approximate that end will deal out justice as closely as we can hope to approach it.

I regard it as a signal of danger that we have entered on the policy of issuing interest-bearing obligations on every conceivable occasion and pretext. The fathers of our country warned us against a perpetual national debt, for debt is human bondage, and those who are obliged to pay it are slaves. They may assemble and resolve that they are free, but they are bondslaves until the debt is paid, and the government, like a prudent individual, should get out of debt as speedily as possible, and remain out. It would be useless to point out that the government interest-bearing debt of less than $3,000,000,000 at the close of the war has cost the people, in their labor and productions, over $7,000,000,000 thus far, and yet we have a thousand million dollars left, and the administration and Mr. Gage, the Secretary of the Treasury, would have us increase this interest-bearing debt to a thousand million more, the interest charged to the people under such circumstances being $60,000,000 annually.

There is no law in the statute books authorizing the issuance of government bonds, and every such obligation issued under the administration of Grover Cleveland is ispo facto null and void for want of authority, and would be so declared by any court having the moral courage to administer the law as it exists. The Bland-Allison act of 1878 and the Sherman act of 1890 contained the seeds of their own destruction, for each provided for the issue of certain notes, at the same time authorizing parties by special contract to repudiate them and discriminate against various forms of money. This transfer of the sovereign right of legal tender, which for three centuries or more has been the right of the debtor, is inexcusable, and I defy any lawyer here or elsewhere to cite any authority, ancient or modern, apart from those two statutes, that gives or ever gave the creditor the right to specify the particular kind of legal-tender money in which he should be paid. This power has been shamefully abused and turned over to those who, to advance their own interest, would see the government sunk to the bottom of the ocean.

The men who are dealing in money in this nation are not all patriots. I do not decry a man because he deals in money if he is honest and patriotic. He may do so and be an excellent citizen, and if he is, I would say naught to his discredit; but the rule is that such men know no nation, no patriotism, and but few have knowledge of any God save the gold they horde and worship.

It is the aim and purpose of the Populist party to change all these conditions and bring about a different condition of public affairs; it is the aim and purpose of that party to call back the spirit of departed patriotism as it existed a century ago; its aim and purpose is to have a government of the people, for the people, and by the people, in which all invidious class distinctions shall be put aside, and where men and women shall be known and respected for their character and intelligence and not for the paltry dollars they carry in their pockets.

The Populist party was created for these purposes, and others that I will not now consume time in mentioning. It will live until they are accomplished; it will live, flourish, and be honored by the American people when other parties are buried and forgotton, for it is the party of the masses. It is the antithesis of the Republican party, for that organization believes in high taxation; that a man can be made rich by taxing himself; that taxation will give him labor and high wages; or, in other words, and using a homely simile, that he can lift himself by his boot straps. It is the party of plutocracy; it believes, in the classes and not the masses, and in invidious distinctions, and it cannot survive in its present form, or the republic will go down in hopeless night.

The Democratic party seeing the error of its ways under the leadership of Grover Cleveland, has changed its course and has now become the fast friend of the free and unlimited coinage of silver. Mr. President, we welcome this long step in the right direction, but the Democratic party is very far from being the Populist party. It has advanced to our position on the national bank question, and yet it falls short of reaching the high plane of Populism. We believe that natural monopolies, like railroads telegraphs, and telephons, must be owned and operated by the government in the interest of the people. We believe that United States Senators should be elected by a direct vote, rather than through the instrumentality of the legislature, and that the initiative and referendum should be employed when practicable. In these and other respects the Populist differ widely from the Democratic party.

Mr. President, I have spoken briefly and generally of the aims and purposes of the Populist party, because I do not at this time desire to unnecessarily consume time.

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The Greenville Democratic primary was held Tuesday. R. L. Chapman was nominated for Mayor. E. W. Hagan, W. H. Goolsby and A. B. Turner for Alderman. A vote of 326 was polled.

Small-pox has been declared epidemic at Middlesboro, Ky. There are twenty-nine cases. All saloons and the public schools are closed. No loitering on the streets is allowed. The mails are fumigated and all surrounding towns are closed against Middlesboro.

The Battleships, Texas and Nashville and the Torpedo Boats, Winslow and Errickson will be in the vicinity of Galveston from Feb. 18th, (to-morrow,) to Feb. 22nd, (Tuesday). These ships will be subject to inspection of visitors on those dates. The Santa Fe railroads offer a rate of $6.00 for the round trip to Galveston from this section of North Texas. The board of trade of the Island City has made arrangements for all visitors.

Hon. J. R. Gough of McKinney, candidate for lieutenant governor, is in the city. He came in yesterday morning and spent the day with friends, who chaperoned him about the city and introduced him to the suffragans. He will circulate about the city today and go home to-night. "I expect to be nominated," he said, "but have a fight on hand, as a matter of course. I expect to get the solid support of my neighbors in north Texas and go into the convention with a large number of delegates at my back. From the letters I have received from prominent democrats in every section of Texas I am greatly encouraged."

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Stronger and Better in Every Way—Gained in Weight.

"I have been afflicted with a disease of the lungs, and my constitution has not been strong for many years. Several years ago I was taken with rheumatism in my left hip. It was not acute, but very troublesome, making it difficult for me to walk. My physicians told me my blood was in a bad condition and that I needed a blood purifier. I bought three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and when I had taken the first bottle I was greatly benefited. I took the second and third bottles and found that I had no more rheumatism. I gained five pounds in weight and am stronger than before taking Sarsaparilla." J. E. BOSWORTH, Remember Hood's Sarsaparilla

A VOICE FROM COLORADO.

Hon. J. Warner Mills a Denver Lawyer Writes Against Fusion.

Favors The Initiative and Referendum—He Sends Congratulations to Texas.

Having a desire to learn something of the Colorado situation and knowing Mr. Mills to be a lawyer of ability and state wide reputation we wrote to him, not having the slightest idea as regards his position on party policies. The answer was prompt, courteous and teemed with a sentiment of patriotism as follows:

F. C. THOMPSON, ESQ.,
McKinney, Texas.

MY DEAR SIR:—Your letter of January 31st, is before me for reply. I have carefully read it and am glad of an opportunity to express myself on the subject that leads you to write me.

I was at the St. Louis convention of the Populist party in 1896, but as I was opposed to fusion I was sent, not as a delegate, but as an alternate for Mr. T. M. Patterson who lead the delegation. I was against the whole scheme that was enacted at St. Louis. In our County and State convention following, I tried to secure an endorsement of Mr. Watson as candidate for Vice-President, having our electors put up for Bryan and Watson, instead of Bryan and Sewall. I made a stubborn and determined fight upon the floor of both conventions, but lost both times. Still, I have in no wise formally withdrawn from the party. I have been disgusted with its management and policies and have taken no hand in any convention or political meeting since.

The Populists of this state, especially of this county (Arapahoe) have in no manner held the banner as to political purity and honesty, in any respect different from the banner of the Republicans and Democrats. I left the Republican Party because of its corruption and dishonest methods I helped form the Populist party as a protest against such corruption and methods, and I shall not allow my self-respect to be compromised by approving as a Populist what I disapproved as a Republican.

I receive the People's party paper printed by Mr. Watson and read each weekly issue, and am inclined to favor the policies mapped out last summer at Nashville, and more recently at St. Louis by the re-organization committee. The populists of Colorado will probably split on this issue, there being a large percentage of Populists who will still try to consort with the Democrats on the single issue of Free Silver. Another body of Populists—not so large, perhaps—will stand against fusion with any party or on any issue, but will insist upon the full populist programme as originally adopted at Omaha and St. Louis—"Money, Land, Transportation and the Iniative and Referendum." I count myself among the latter number, but, owing to professional duties, will perhaps be prevented from taking any very active part. If I do enter into the political campaign, either this year or next, it will simply be from a personal sense of the obligation that rests upon me as a patriotic citizen. I feel satisfied that industrial and political matters are fast reaching a climax, and that, unless citizens who are willing to sacrifice opportunities for personal preferment, throw themselves into the breach, and by sincere, united and Herculean efforts, build up a party struggling alone for principle and not for spoils,—that many years cannot go by without the tide of affairs bringing on a revolution of blood and force. Now is the time when all men and women should stand together who feel that both the Republican and Democratic parties have trifled with the opportunities heretofore offered them to do something for the people. For one, I have no confidence whatever in the Democratic party—no more than I have in the Republican party. Nor do I regard the silver question as being paramount. I think great harm was done in the campaign of '96 in representing it as a panacea. I believe in holding up the entire money question, giving silver its proper place — important, of course, but not controlling.

A fight for the Initiative and Referendum, which means simply a demand on the part of the people that they themselves shall be afforded an opportunity through the forms of law to suggest specific questions on which they desire to vote and to vote upon the questions so suggested, and to express their will upon laws proposed by the legislative department of government,—is the most important issue that can be tendered in the political campaign of 1898 or 1900. This issue calls for a pure Democracy. It simply asks that the people be allowed a larger share in governmental affairs. We can never rid ourselves of corporation tyranny, of grinding trusts and other monopolies, money, land and railroad combines and impositions until we have secured in several constitutions, the right to the people themselves to express their will on such questions as a designated percentage of them may desire shall be submitted, and have that will properly recorded by an honest vote and a fair count.

I shall be glad to hear from you on this subject any time you feel disposed to write. I congratulate the populists of Texas and other states of the south on the noble stand they have made against fusion and confusion. I hope that the west may be brought to co-operate with them, although I much fear that it will only be a fraction of the Populists of the Western states that can lead to oppose fusion and ignore the deceptive and tempting allurements of the Democratic party.

Yours sincerely,
J. WARNER MILLS.

The Greenville (Miss.) Times devotes considerable space to a scandal which affects several state officers of Mississippi. High officials including the governor are charged with drunkenness. The governor plead guilty according to The Times and was excused. A certain state judge was picked out of the gutter in Vicksburg. There are others.

Plant Corn Early.

McKinney, Tex., Feb. 15.—(To The News.)—It is important to urge our farmers through your great newspaper that in order to better secure plenty of "hog and hominy" this year, they must plant early a large acreage of corn. Some commence planting corn today. In fact, early planting in February last year proved to be the proper time in north Texas, because the corn matured before the periodical drouths of summer. In the past twenty years planting in Collin county corn when planted in February was killed only once so completely as to require planting over. There is no indication of much more cold weather. For the mocking bird is singing in the trees, the green grass is coming up, the fruit buds are swelling, and the signs of the zodiac warn us that winter is over and that spring is here. There is no reason to suppose that these bright, genial, waning days of winter are but "weather breeders" as some would infer. When Foster, the weather prophet, prognosticated an early, open spring in this latitude. Through the numerous articles on "Diversification" in The News, we find Texas can grow everything that thrives in a temperate zone, as well as many things that belong to the tropics. Low priced cotton in 1894 made such a reduction in the acreage and yield of 1895 as to cause a rise to 7 and 8 cents, and the same condtions of 1897 will produce like results in 1898. Surely through a wise use of natural advantages, better times confront us.

AARON COFFEE.

Bosque County Populists.

Bosque county populists held a well attended mass meeting at Meridian, Feb. 14, and embodied their sentiments in the following set of resolutions;

1. Resolved, that we, the populists of Bosque county assembled in mass meeting, do unanimously indorse the action of the Nashville conference, and the actions of the national organization committee at St. Louis.

2. Resolved, that we are in favor of early state, county and national conventions, said national convention to be held not later than July 4, 1898.

3. Recognizing that the marvelous growth of the people's party is due to adherance to principle, we indorse the Omaha, St. Louis and the last state platform.

4. Resolved, that as only through the initiative and referendum and imperative mandate can suffrage be restored back to the next state, congressional and national platform.

5. Resolved, that we express our thanks to Capt. Joe Farley, manager of the Dallas freight bureau for showing to the people of Texas the unjust discrimination and favors as practiced by the present state railroad commission.

6. Resolved, that we are in favor of a state railroad from some point on the Gulf of Mexico to some point on the northern border of Texas as advocated by the Hon. Barnett Gibbs.

Woodmen Camp Organized.

Anna, Tex., Feb. 12, 1898.

A Camp of the Woodmen of the World was organized here last night, of twenty-three members. The organization was effected by Deputy Organizer Cobb of Ellis county, assisted by a number of Sovereigns from Blue Ridge, Melissa, and Van Alstyne. The following officers were elected and installed:

S. J. Creswell, C. C.
L. B. Johnson, A. L.
J. F. Greer, B.
J. F. Chenlworth, C.
T. J. Bates, C. P.
S. L. Bradshaw, E.
Fred Shirley, W.
— — Strange, S.
Eb. McKinney, Sol Howell and J. Guthrie, M.

West Texas Excursion Rates.

We are anxious to build up Western Texas, and commencing at once and continuing until April 30, we will sell to all comers from Fort Worth and stations east, including Alexandria, La., round trip tickets to Abilene, Pecos, and stations intermediate, and to Eddy and Roswell, New Mexico, at rate of one and one-third fares for the round trip; tickets good for 30 days from date of sale.

This will be the best time of the year to see Western Texas, and you ought to take advantage of the opportunity.

See nearest ticket agent for further information, or address E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, T. & P. R'y., Dallas, Texas.

FARMERSVILLE BUDGET.

Weekly Round-Up By Our Special Correspondent.

Feb. 15. '98.

Thursday night, Feb. 10, at the M. E. Church, in this city, Mr. Curtis Hancock, a rising young lawyer of Oak Cliff, and Miss Ada Rike, an accomplished young lady of this city were united in marriage, Rev. S. A. Ashburn performing the ceremony. A large number of friends were present to witness the ceremony.

A. W. Knighton our present popular tax collector and prominent candidate for re-election returned to his home in McKinney, Sunday evening after a visit of a day or two to his old home in this city.

Mary Hogan, a niece of Mrs. R. W. Hudson, is visiting the latter of this city.

D. P. Johnson and Geo. Hardin went to western portion of the county this week looking after their respective candidacies.

A letter from A. J. Aven states that Mrs. Barton is improving. It will be remembered that she has been seriously sick, since Mr. Aven and family moved to Quinlan and the above news will be very gratifying to the many friends of Mrs. Barton.

The suit of A. J Aven vs W.S. Aston, which was not set in the general assignment, has since been set for Monday Feb. 21st.

The suit of L. Stanford vs O.L. Mynett tried before the court one day last week resulted in a verdict for plaintiff. Notice of appeal given.

Esq. Lacy went to McKinney Monday to attend the present session of our commissioners' court.

J. E. Jones of Copeville was in our city Tuesday.

Several of our people have planted potatoes. The weather is very fine for gardening, but we will very likely have more winter before the spring opens in earnest.

M. A. Wylie, in charge of the the school at Foncine, was in the city recently attending the institute. This is the home of Marcus Wylie and his friends are always glad to see him.

TEACHERS INSTITUTE.

February 11 and 12 as per appointment of Supt. Shepherd, a number of teachers met at the public school building of this city.

The program by the county commitee was carefully carried out, each one responding to his call as follows;

Friday, 10 to 11—A splendid paper read by J. H. Bennett, "Professional Reading Among Teachers."

11 to 12—"What Constitutes Good Order," by J. F. Vicars.

1:30—"Recitation," by Emma Clifton.

1:30 to 2:00—"The Lack of Professional Courtesy," quite an interesting paper by J. P. Jacobs.

2:00 to 2:30—"How May Penmanship be Taught," by T. E. Johnson.

2:30 to 3:15—"Algebra Equation," by D. D. Kemper.

3:15 to 4:00—"Grammar Analysis," R. L. Reynolds.

Saturday, 10:15—"Recitation," by Mary Church.

10:15 to 11:00—Quite an able address, by R. E. Chapman, "The Decline of Oratory Among Our Young Men."

11:00 to 11:30 —"Arithmetic—Decimals," I. D. Fowler.

11:30 to 12:00—"A Spelling Match," by the teachers. A lively hour for all

1:40—A Recitation, by Fanny Purvin.

Professor Tallant, of Nevada, favored the Institute with a valuable talk on "The Object of Recitation."

There were general discussions upon all the above subjects by various teachers.

We are glad to welcome the many friends that have so attentively honored us with their presence. Messrs. Harden and Johnson favored the teachers and friends with very interesting addresses on the subject of Education.

Query Box—Very interesting.

BUSINESS SESSION.

The meeting proved to be a "grand revival." Each teacher feeling more forcibly the great duty and privilege that only a teacher has to help the little youths of your land to surmount and stand upon the "corner stone" of our enlightened nation.

God speed the time when a deep educational interest shall mark both patron and teacher, that they may march on hand in hand crying, Excelsior!

J. P. JACOBS, Ch'm,
MATTIE STEWART, Sec'y.

P. S: One feature of the Institute, omitted above, was a very enjoyable entertainment given the teachers.

The schools of the county are the greatest elements in the civilization of our state. We have been taught from earliest infancy to revise the church, and so we do, but in our opinion the schools of the country are the main feeders and supporters of the church, and consequently require more care and attention. Take care of our school and the churches will be safe from every effort of infidelity.

It is indeed gratifying to notice the great interest manifested by school trustees and the general public in our late institute held in this city. Several visitors were present and all seemed to have an interest in the work. School teaching is monotonous laborous work, and the interest evinced by the public is an encouragement and help to the teachers. Let us all help our teachers for they both need and appreciate encouraging words. Remember that the school is the cradle of civilization.

Miss Burrus of McKinney is visiting Mrs. Maxey, of this city.

Several of our young people visited Merit Saturday night.

Dr. W. A. Bell returned last week from Dallas, in company with his father, Dr. F. B. Bell, who has been very sick in Dallas, but has improved sufficiently to visit our city.

H. H. Crouch was in the city Sunday, en route to McKinney from Wolfe City. ORIENT.

Burglarized Freight Cars.

Learning that some freight cars had been broken open at the depot in McKinney Marshal Burks proceeded to the grade south of town Monday night just after the midnight freight on the Houston & Texas Central had passed, where he arrested Enoch Strickland and Austin Querry. Constable Harry McDonald, Officer Chas. Mixon and Joe D. McKinney assisted Marshal Burks. Some corn had been thrown from the cars. When arrested Strickland and Querry had several sacks of corn in their wagon which they were driving along the road. Both surrended and were locked up in the county prison. They waived their examining trial and Strickland's bond was fixed at $1050 which he gave and Querry's at $750. The latter was not so fortunate in getting bondsmen. Three charges of burglary now rest over each of them.

Two other parties with Strickland and Querry eluded the officers and made good their escape. This is not the first instance of burglarizing freight cars at the depot at McKinney

BOARD OF TRADE.

McKinney Now Has One Permanently Organized.

Quite a number of business men met at the city hall Friday night and permanently organized the McKinney Board of Trade.

The objects of the board are the same as similar organizations in all cites, that is, to promote the commercial interests of the town. The scope opened up to the McKinney board is great. Our town is favorably situated in a rich agricultural country, but has no factories, and in fact no public enterprises, other than the oil mill, cotton compress and wharf, and the flouring mill. These concerns give employment to a number of laborers. These laborers spend their salaries, amounting monthly, to several hundred dollars, with our merchants, and enliven business. If this number can be increased by bringing other fatories and mills here, just to the extent of that increase will the merchants, and business generally, prosper in McKinney. So every citizen bids God-speed to the Board of Trade. Meetings will be held monthly on each first Tuesday night in the city hall. Officers elected for one year are:

OFFICERS.

Jesse Shain, Pres.
J. S. Dowell, V-Pres.
J. D. Stiff, Treas.
W. T. Brooke, Sec'y.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

J. P. Crouch,	W. D. Goostree,
J. P. Burrus,	H. Q. Smith,
J. P. Nenney,	A. G. Chandler.

MEMBERSHIP.

Jesse Shain,	J. P. Nenney,
J. S. Dowell,	G. J. S. Walker,
H. Q. Smith,	J. H. Forbes,
J. A. Rogers,	R. E. Carpenter,
T. L. McMullen,	Geo. Wilcox,
W. D. Goostree,	C. P. Heard,
J. M. Berry,	J. P. Dowell,
G. W. Fox.	R. E. Bristol,
J. P. Burrus,	S. Weisman,
J. P. Crouch,	C. W. Smith,
H. C. Killingsworth,	J. D. Stiff,
J. B. Rhoden,	J. D. McKinney,
G. H. Lucas,	J. M. Andrews,
J. P. Webster,	A. G. Chandler,
I. D. Newsome Sons & Co.	

The State.

Gold bearing quartz has been discovered in Ellis county.

Sheriff of Bee county arrested four men for counterfeiting and also secured moulds and metal.

General Vandervoot writes of his plans for the proposed G A R colony in Matagorda county.

Another office building is to be built on the ruins of the Hurley building Fort Worth.

Two young ladies and an old man were narrowly rescued from drowning near Cleburne.

City botel at Midlothian was burned. Court house of Lee county, at Giddings, was burned.

Good Government club of Beaumont adopted a resolution against gold bonds. — Houston Post.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been recorded in the County Clerk's office since last report:

Jack Simes and Eliza Jestes, L Gilmer and Miss Ella Newman, A J Robbins and Jettie McClain, W A Slaughter and Miss Lizzie Rexrode, Frank Galbreath and Miss Adilien Scroggins, J M Borden and Miss Ida Pate, W T Halcomb and Miss M E Betterton, H G Hicks and Miss R E Johnson, Robert Tucker and Miss Sallie Allen, Elmer C Skinner and Miss Pearl Clark, C S Chafin and Miss Julia Womble.

Mrs. Shearer Complimented.

The following clipping from the Dallas News of Feb., 11, concerning Mrs. P. B. H. Shearer, once a resident of McKinney, will be read with pride by her many friends here:

Mrs. Genevieve Shearer of this city, who is the youngest lady who ever occupied the president's chair of the Rebekah assembly of the state of Texas, returned from the Fort Worth assembly yesterday. Mrs. Shearer reports the meeting a great success in all respects and the order is growing rapidly. There are 3000 members and 93 lodges in Texas and there were twice as many attendants at Fort Worth as were ever before in convention at one time.

Mrs. Shearer is now past president, the vice president of last term having succeeded to the presidency according to the custom of the order. The beautiful presidential emblem was awarded to Mrs. Shearer and it is a jewel of which any lady may well be proud. It is fastened by a pin and contains three pieces attached to each other by golden links. The first piece is a handsomely engraved bar, having the name "Genevieve Shearer;" the second is composed of three links symbolical of the order, containiug the letters "F L. T.;" the lower piece is a shield showing Rebekah at the well.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex Feb., 16, '98, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

Bell M E	Cold Della
Coldman Milley	Cruse Alma
Hill Allie	Hughes M N C
Martin S T	Majors Nettie
Moore Susie	Sims Bettie E

GENTLEMAN.

Adkins J T-(2)	Baker John W
Blackwell Joe	Black Sam
Graves R E	Gray William B
Griffin A M	Gooden Porter
Hopkins Bill	Killough Sam B
Lanier B F	Pearson Bur
Pitman L M	Rice Nancy E
Rogers Will M	Ruthledge P P
Stagner Geo	Stanley Louis
Wange Wm J	

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

Mrs. M. A. Cameron
Postmistress.

Home Industry Club.

The farmers of Lick Prairie met at Clear Lake school house Saturday night and organized a home industry club. Objects of the club are to foster home enterprises by consuming their products in preference to foreign made goods and to increase prices of farm produce, etc. Another meeting will be held Saturday night Afterwards it will meet semi-monthly. Officers elected are J. S. Hughes president, Clarence Shuman first vice-president, Tom Townsend second vice-president, George Millichant secretary. R. Parrish, who organized the club, says it is non-political and that the farmers of adjoining communities will soon be organized.

GENERAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Briefly Culled For The Readers of The Democrat.

Ex-congressman Miles Crowley of Galveston has gone to Klondike.

Gold quartz has been discovered near Waxahachie, in Ellis county.

Levi P. Morton's seven story office building in New York burned Friday.

Three men are said to have been killed in the lumber kiln disaster near Nacogdoches.

Local option carried at Palo Pinto, Saturday.

Hon. W. J. Bryan went to Minneapolis Monday to attend a conference of silver leaders.

Corsicana crude oil is coming into general use as fuel in various parts of the state

J. R. Byers of Denton sues the M. K. & T. for $20,000 damages.

Maj. J. M. Cunningham died at Terrel Monday from the effects of a dose of rough-on-rats.

The friends of state chairman Blake are urging him to become a candidate for United States Senator.

Ex-Gov. Hogg has recently purchased $20,000 worth of real-estate at Austin, so say the papers.

Eighteen bodies were found in the debris of the fire which occurred at Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 9.

Abraham Lincoln's birthday Feb. 12th, was observed all through the northern portion of our country.

The Iroquois club of Chicago, a democratic organization, will be addressed by Grover Cleveland in April next, probably on Thomas Jefferson's birthday.

Dr. Devella of Louisville, once a prominent and prosperous physician died in poverty Feb. 13. He was a victim of cocaine.

Robert Kline has sued Sheriff Hughes of Grayson county for unlawfully detaining him under arrest. The affair grows out of the Pottsboro robbery.

Deputy marshall Ben Collins shot and killed a negro named Wesley Wiley at Tishomingo, I. T., last week. The negro resisted arrest.

Charley Brown, aged 17, killed another boy at a dance in the suburbs of Atlanta on the 10th inst.

Dick Springfield of Hemstead died in Galveston Thursday from the effects of three pistol shots received in a saloon tragedy.

Mrs. Dora Philbert was burned todeath at Laredo Tex. Feb. 10. She attemped to ignite a fire by means of Kerosene oil.

A miniature tornado visited the west part of Denton county one day last week. It blew a buggy a half a mile.

Mrs. [illegible]it Collier, aged 18-years, gave birth to three healthy five-pound girl babies Feb. 14, at Mount Vernon, Texas.

A $35,000 blaze was sustained by the town of Goldthwaite, Tex. Feb. 12. The postoffice burned among the several buildings destroyed.

The wife of treasurer H. H. Burris of the Chickasaw nation committed suicide by shooting herself in the head with a pistol, Friday.

John A. Gafford was sentenced at Greenville, Ala., to be hanged on the 1st. day of April for the killing of F. B. Lloyd, better known as the humorist lecturer Rufus B. Saunders. An appeal was taken to the supreme court.

Joseph Slattery an ex-priest and his wife a former sister of charity who are reported to have been mobbed in American cities were arrested in Scotland for selling indecent books purporting to be exposure of Catholicism.

A few days ago a letter was made public in Washington which was written by the Spanish minister to this country, De Lome to a friend, and in which the said official referred to President McKinley as "a low politician." The discovery created a breeze in diplomatic circles and resulted in the recalling of De Lome by the Spanish government and his early departure from Washington. The affair is now about quieted.

A desperate pitched battle occurred near Esculapia Springs Ky, Friday, between Constable Cropper and three deputies on one side and three women named Crow on the other. The old lady Crow was shot and instantly killed by the constable, but not until the woman had shot Wm. Thacker in the Temple, inflicting an ugly bnt not fatal wound. The Misses Crow were both badly wounded, but did not surrender and finally drove the officers away. One of them stabbed the constable in the shoulder, badly cutting him. The family recently moved near the Springs and nothing is known of their history, but that they are desperate characters can not be doubted. They began firing at the officers without a moment's notice.

The average product of gold in the world for 100 years has been $80,000,000 per year. The average product of silver for the same period has been about $91,000,000 per year. The combined product of both has been therefore $171,000,000 per year. For the last two years the product of gold alone has been over $200,000,000 per year, with a prospect of its going to $300,000,000 per year in the near future. Already the product of gold alone has passed the average product of both metals since 1792. In less than five years, under the present stimulus of high priced gold, it is safe to say that the output of gold alone will double the former average of both metals. In the meantime silver production is rapidly decreasing. How long is it going to be before the commercial value of gold will drop to the commercial value of silver, even at the ratio of 16 to 1? In other words, how long is it going to be before gold will be the cheaper metal, free coinage or no free coinage?—S. F. Norton.

In this issue will be found the announcement of Tom W. Perkins as a candidate for local representative. He is at present editor of the McKinney Gazette, and is subject to the democratic party. As far as we know his democracy is unquestioned. If elected he will reflect honor upon the historic party. From the Wylie Rustler we quote:

"In the 1896 primaries, Mr. Perkins was selected as the democratic candidate for justice of this precinct, over strong opposition, and at the general election won a handsome victory. He served ably in that capacity until last August, when he bought the McKinney Gazette and resigned as Justice. The low fees of the office rendered the change imperative in order that he might better support his family, and also that his work for the party might be more valuable.

Mr. Perkins is an enterprising, hustling citizen, and, having been granted permanent license to practice law, would fill the office with credit to himself and the connty. His declaration of principles will appear in these columns in the near future. We heartily commend him to your support."

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AN OLD MURDER RECALLED.

Finding a Rusty Weapon at Rockwall Brings Up a Bloody Reminiscence—Tried in McKinney.

Rockwall, Rockwall Co., Tex., Feb. 15.—Last Saturday Messrs. Johnson and Harrison, while at work on the old Barnes place south of town, found an old double-barrel gun and an old army pistol. One barrel of the gun was rifled and was loaded; the other was for shot and was empty. Both were beneath the surface.

This find brought to recollection of old citizens here the fact that thirty years ago a murder was committed near by and a search was made at the time for these weapons, but they could not be found. The murdered man was a revenue collector by the name of Eber or Oberlin, who stopped over night in the community and was promised by a citizen named Sheth Howard to assist him in crossing the river next morning, the stream overflowed.

Howard was arrested, charged with committing the crime; was tried at McKinney on a change of venue from this, then Kaufman county, found guilty and sentenced to a term of years in the penitentiary, but succeeded in breaking jail, since which time nothing has been heard from him.

A. W. Knighton's name appears in our announcement column this issue for the democratic nomination of tax collector. Mr. Knighton asks an investigation of his past record in the office which he is now desirous of being re-elected to, and submits his candidacy to the sovereigns upon that record. During his occupancy of the trust he has given it his entire personal attention. His friends declare no official never served the people of Collin county more satisfactorily and that he is a model public servant. He respectfully asks the favorable consideration of every voter in the approaching primary.

Homer T. Wilson.

Homer T. Wilson delivered his noted lecture "America's Uncrowned Queens" at the Christian church Tuesday night to one of the finest audiences that ever greeted a lecturer in McKinney. It was simply sublime. His eloquence and grace on the rostrum will charm any audience and stamp him a genius rarely met with. By request he remained over last night and delivered the companion lecture of the above which was more especially to young men. While his audience was not so large the lecture surpassed even his effort the night previous. After placing the ideal young man upon a lofty pedestal he referred to Stonewall Jackson in impassioned eulogy, pronounceing him the grandest character of the nineteenth century. Jas. J. Wyly of Fort Worth, who accompanies Mr. Wilson, delivered some excellent musical specialties just preceding each lecture. The lectures were for the benefit of the Cemetery Association and realized handsomely.

Citation By Publication.

The State of Texas, to the Sheriff or any Constable of Collin county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded, that by making Publication of this Citation in some newspaper published in the County of Collin if there be a newspaper published in said County, (but if not, then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published) for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, you Summon Fred Jones whose residence is unknown, to be and appear before the Hon. District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be holden in the County of Collin at the Court House thereof, in McKinney, on the sixth Monday after the first Monday in February 1898, the same being the 21st, day of March 1898. File Number being 4708, then and there to answer the Petition of Jesse Jones, filed in said Court on the 16th day of February A. D. 1898, against the said Fred Jones, and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit: That Plaintiff is a bonafide inhabitant of the County of Collin, State of Texas, and has resided in said county for more than six months next prior to the filing of this suit. That on the 10th day of August 1893 plaintiff and defendant intermoved in Collin county Texas. That on the next after said marriage, the defendant without any cause or occasion abandoned the plaintiff with the intention of permanently remaining away, and has remained separate and apart from plaintiff since said time that the conduct above stated constituted and was cruelty.

Wherefore, plaintiff prays citation issue the defendant to appear and answer herein and on final hearing hereof she have judgment for divorce, dissolving the bonds of Matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant and for all further and other relief pertaining to this case.

Herein Fail Not but have you then and there before said Court this Writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, in McKinney this 17th, day of February A. D. 1898. (SEAL)

Attest: E. R. HALL.
Clerk District Court Collin County, Texas.

Don't be deceived, but get the genuine Bliss Triumph, N. Y. Rose, Burbanks and Peerless Potatoes from headquarters. W. E. Ditto.

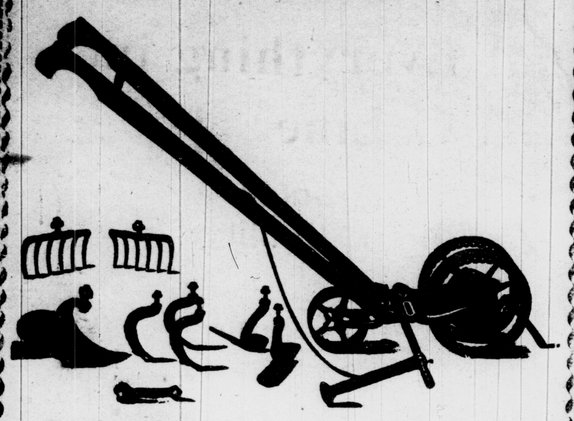
Commissioners Court.

The county commissioners court is in session this week. March 26 was set for election day for amending or defeating the hog law in Collin county. A new voting box was made of Lucas. The county treasurer's books were examined and approved.

Headquarters for Seed.

Just received every thing in the Seed line from two car loads of Seed Corn to a package of Mammoth Cabbage Seed for a quarter.

Garden Tools



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Plants Everything from Mustard Seed to Butter Beans.

Seed Drills, Cultivators, Wheel Hoes and Garden Tools at

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McKINNEY, TEXAS.

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J. H. FAULKNER
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D. P. JOHNSON

For County Attorney
GEORGE HARDIN
H. L. DAVIS

Eor County Clerk
PAT MOULDEN
W. M. SHIRLEY

For Sheriff
J. W. PAFFORD

For Tax Collector
YANCY POWELL
A W KNIGHTON

For Justice of the Peace Precinct 1.
W. L. YARBROUGH
J. T. ANDREWS.

CITY ELECTION.

For Marshal
SCOTT ALLISON
SAM BURKS.

For Tax Assessor and Collector
R. B. DAVIS

LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Forbes entertained the Leaguers Tuesday evening.

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

Will and John Mitchell, Altoga farmers, were on our streets yesterday.

Window glass all sizes, at City Drug Store.

A. E. Buck went to Princeton Tuesday.

Make your wife and children happy by taking them to the Nickel Store when in McKinney.

Pure whiskies, wines and brandies for medicinal use, at City Drug Store.

The McKinney Steam Laundry is now operating again. J. B. Jennings is proprietor.

The famous Fleur de Hungrois brand of flour for sale at Cox & Berry's.

Sheriff Coffey and Tom Perkins made a trip to Rusk, Texas, this week.

Buy your garden seed of Goostree & Houston. In bulk and packages, fresh and cheap.

George Y. Melton has returned to New Mexico.

WALL PAPER, WALL PAPER. All the new patterns from 5c a roll up, at City Drug Store.

J. T. Nale makes picture frames cheaper than anybody, one door east of postoffice.

The pupils of Misses Lula Allison and Ludie Lindsay will give a musical and elocutionary entertainment at Heard's opera House tomorrow (Friday) evening. Admission 10 cents.

Don't Neglect Your Liver.

Liver troubles quickly result in serious complications, and the man who neglects his liver has little regard for health. A bottle of Browns' Iron Bitters now and then will keep the liver in perfect order. If the disease has developed, Browns' Iron Bitters will cure it permanently. Strength and vitality always follow its use. For sale by all dealers.

The H. & T. C. R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Chattanooga February 19th, 20th and 21st, account meeting National Educational Association at one fare for round trip good for return March 1, 1898.

Why Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup is the cheapest. It is the only cough remedy giving 50 doses for 50 cents. Money is refunded if not benefitted or satisfied. Try it. As k your druggist for a sample bottle.

50 different brands cough medicine. All the reliable kinds, at City Drug Store.

Just think! more than 350 different articles at the FAIR. New goods arriving every day. Hammond & Sneed Propprs.

Mack Emerson has returned from Mineral Wells. His father remained for awhile longer.

A cough is an easy thing to cure if taken in time. It is dangerous to neglect one for any length of time. Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup is guaranteed. Fifty cents a bottle.

We deliver, free and promptly, groceries to any part of the city.
Cox & Berry.

Mrs. T. C. Perry went up to Sherman Monday to visit her sister, Mrs. Geo. Murphy, who is in ill health.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

Mrs. Bounds moved to Dallas, Monday.

Wire fence netting at the FAIR. Hammond & Sneed, Proprs.

Our groceries are new, standard goods, and at lowest living prices. Give us a trial. Cox & Berry.

Miss Ira C. McDowell, of Argyle, Denton county, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harper.

Stop that Cough! Take warning. It may lead to Consumption. A 25c. bottle of Shiloh's Cure may save your life. Sold by Smith Bros. 1

For seed potatoes go to Goostree & Houston. They keep all varieties such as Early Rose, Burbanks and Triumph.

W. A. Wolcott, who moved to New Mexico for his health recently, is reported much improved.

Best paint on earth, covers more and wears longest, looks best, full measure S. W. B. guaranteed, at City Drug Store.

W. M. Shirley was at Weston, Saturday, mingling with the teachers at the local institute and citizens generally.

J. T. Nale exchanges new for second hand stoves.

We cannot mention all articles of the FAIR'S big stock. Anything almost you can imagine of a useful nature at a bargain. Hammond & Sneed Proprs.

For many years the Nickle Store has pleased its customers. Join the happy throng for 1898.

Bob Benson has added some improvements to his residence in east McKinney.

Dyspepsia Cured. Shiloh's Vitalizer immediately relieves Sour Stomach. Coming up of Food Distress, and is the great kidney and liver remedy. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

J. T. Nale is selling Furniture, Stoves, Tinware, Queenswaree and Glassware and all other kinds of house furnishing goods for less money than any other house in north Texas, one door east of postoffice.

Standard goods, low profits, straightforward dealing and courteous attention to all never fails of reward to the merchants who adopt this motto. The truthfulness of this is demonstrated by Goostree & Houston's immense grocery trade.

International Stock Food, 3 feeds for one cent, for horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Every package waranteed, at City Drug Store.

Best market prices always paid for country produce at Goostree & Houston's.

Cure that Cough with Shiloh's Cure. The best Cough Cure. Relieves Croup promptly. One million bottles sold last year. 40 doses for 25 cts. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

The Nickel Store's stock consists of varied useful and ornamental articles. Next time you are in McKinney inspect it.

Messrs. Shain and O'Brien shipped five cars of cattle to Chicago last week. The shipment was made in care of Walter Howell and Walter O'Brien.

I have re-opened my jewelry repair business at the same old stand and am prepared as before to do all kinds of jewelry and watch work, and respectfully solicit the business of my former patrons. V. C. COLEMAN.

Largest stock paints, oils, varnishes, window glass, brushes and wall paper at very low prices. City Drug Store.

What is it? A cure for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Whooping Cough, Hoarseness, Sore Throat, and all Bronchial Affection of the Throat, Chest and Lungs, 50 doses for 50 cents. Money refunded if it fails to give satisfaction; we mean Dr. Simmons Cough Syrup.

A. Shirley & Bro's. store, at Anna, was burglarized Feb. 11. The entrance was made in the rear of the store. Abont $100 worth of pistols and cutlery was stolen.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy Always Proves Effectual.

There are no better medicines on the market than Chamberlain's. We have used the Cough Remedy when all other failed, and in every instance it proved effectual. Almost daily we hear the virtues of Chamberlain's remedies extolled by those who have used them. This is not an empty puff, paid for at so much a line, but is voluntarily given in good faith, in the hope that suffering humanity may try these remedies and like the writer, be benefitted.—From the Glenville (W. Va.) Pathfinder. For sale by City Drug Store.

We solicit a portion of the farmers grocery trade. Bring us your produce and get the best market prices.
Cox & Berry.

FOR SALE: One hundred acre farm, 80 in cultivation, two tenant houses well improved ten miles east of McKinney, also my residence in north McKinney, a splendid home, all can be purchased at a splendid bargain, part cash and long time for balance and low interest. Call on or address.
DOC. FERGUSON,
McKinney, Tex.

Splendid bargains at the Nickle Store next door to postoffice.

Ladies, Take the Best. If you are troubled with Constipation, Sallow Skin, and a Tired Feeling, take Karl's Clover Tea, it is pleasant to take. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

E. C. Forbes and bride of Anna visited the latter's father, Mr. Lindsay, east of town Sunday.

The Modern Way

Commends itself to the well informed to do pleasantly and effectually what was formerly done in the crudest manner and disagreeably as well. To cleanse the system and break up colds, headaches, and fevers without unpleasant after effects, use the delightful liquid laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs. Made by California Fig Syrup Co.

Foote House Barber Shop.

When in need of barbering don't forget to call on Ed & Will at the Foote House barber shop. They have got the only first class shop in town. You will have to pay for what you get, but will get what you pay for and in first class style. They employ none but expert workmen. They appreciate your patronage in the past and solicit a continuance of the same during the year 1898.

Well Satisfied.

With 1897 we have made a grand change for the better for 1898. We carry up-to-date picture moulding, best grade farmes, queenesware tinware best medium line furniture, cookstoves & heaters.
Asbury & Nelson.

Goostree & Houston have enlarged their business by the addition of a ware house. This firm does an extensive and some wholesale business.

Sundry useful articles, cheap, at the Nickle Store.

Farmers when in McKinney with your children take them to the Nickle Store—It will make them happy to see the pretties though you buy nothing.

Major Taylor, delivery boy for T. J. Melton, was thrown from his wagon recently and had an arm broken in two places.

Uriah Jones, Hezekiah Brown and John Peter Smith will testify to the wonderful curative properties of Dr. Simmons' Cough Syrup. Sample bottles free. Satisfaction or money refunded.

We have a big stock of garden seeds in bulk and packages and all varieties of the best seed potatoes.
Goostree & Houston.

The entertainment at Heard's opera house Friday night for the benefit of the Ladies' Cemetery association netted one hundred dollars for its worthy object. The great crowd was kept in an uproar of laughter throughout the program. The ladies having the affair in charge may well feel complimented on the result of their efforts.

Tartar

On the teeth is a precipitate of the solid constituents of the saliva. It is this tartar that helps to collect little particles of food and thus to favor decay of the teeth. It is not possible to avoid the deposit of tartar, because it is a process of nature, but our Tooth Powder will prevent it from hardening on the teeth and discoloring them.

Smith Bros.

A PURE GRAPE CREAM OF TARTAR POWDER

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Awarded
Highest Honors, World's Fair
Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

Men and medicines are judged by what they do. The great cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla give it a good name everywhere.

In a recent letter from Washington D. C., to an old friend, Major G. A. Studer, for twenty years United States Consul at Singapore says: "While at Des Moines I became acquainted with a liniment known as Chamberlain's Pain Balm, which I found excellent against rheumatism as well as against soreness of the throat and chest (giving me much easier breathing). I had a touch of pneumonia early this week, and two application freely applied to the throat and chest relieved me of it at once. I would not be without it for anything." For sale by City Drug Store.

We are prepared to accommodate the trade with anything in the grocery line. Immediate delivery free. Goostree & Houston.

Spring Seed Wheat.

Spring seed wheat for sale or will exchange for soft wheat. It yields 8 to 10 bushels more per acre than soft wheat. Collin County Mill & Elevator Co. McKinney, Tex.

Assistant Postmaster General Bagley of the McKinney postoffice is well pleased with the prompt manner the administration at Washington dispatches business and takes cognizance of requests going up from this office.

Dreadfully Nervous.

GENTS—I was dreadfully nervous, and for relief took your Karl's Clover Root Tea. It quieted my nerves and strengthed my whole nervous system. I was troubled with Constipation, Kidney and Bowel trouble. Your Tea soon cleansed my system so thoroughly that I rapidly regained health and strength. Mrs. S. A. Sweet, Hartford, Conn. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

R. H. Cogburn has been apprised of the death of J. C. Knipp, who was well known here and in Collin county, which occurred Feb. 11, at Terrell. He succumbed to pneumonia after an illness lasting seventy-two days and was buried at Terrell next day.

Karl's Clover Root Tea is a pleasant laxative. Regulates the bowels, purifies the blood. Clears the complexion. Easy to make and pleasant to take. 25 cts. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

Scholarship for Sale.

A scholarship for sale in one of the best business colleges of the state. Call at THE DEMOCRAT

The ladies of the Baptist church gave a Valentine picnic at the home of H. H. Crouch Tuesday night. A program was rendered and refreshments served and a profitable merry season passed by all present. The proceeds amounted to a neat little sum.

Frank Sherwood was down town today, the first time since he has had his tussle with cholera morbus. He says he drove thirty miles after he was taken and never came so near dying in his life. After this when he goes out in the country he will take a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy with him—Missouri Valley (Iowa) Times. For sale by City Drug Store.

Deputy Supreme Guardian W. J. Walker left yesterday by way of Dallas for Minneola to organize a grove of the Woodmen Circle, but will return to his home in this city in a few days.

Be not deceived! A Cough, Hoarseness or croup are not to be trifled with. A dose of Shiloh's Cure will save you much trouble. Sold by Smith Bros. 2

FOR RENT—Good McKinney wagon yard, block No. 20 adjacent to the public square. Will lease for year on easy terms. Apply to JENKINS & PEARSON.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. Cheney & Co, Props., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

West & Truax, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.
Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's family pills are the best.

M'KINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	4 50 to 5.70
Wheat per bus	95to 97cts.
Corn per bus	30 to 35cts.
Oats per bus	22 to 23cts
Hay baled per ton	$6.50 to $7.00
Millet hay per ton	$5.50 to $6.50.
Flour per cwt	$2.40 to $2.75.
Cotton seed per ton	$8.00.
Baled Oats per ton	$5.00.
Meal per bus	40 to 45cts.
Straw per ton	$4.00 $4.50
Chops per cwt	75cts.
Bran per cwt	75 to 80cts.
Butter per lb	10 to 12½cts.
Eggs per doz	10 to 121-2cts.
Lard per lb	6½ to 7½cts.
Sheep	$2.50 to $3.00.
Hogs per cwt	$3.00 to $3.50.
Beef on foot per cwt	$2.25 to $2.65.
Beef dressed per lb	4 to 5cts.
Dressed pork per lb	4 1-2cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.75 to 2.25.
Irish Potatoes, per bu	75 to 80cts.
Sweet Potatoes, per bu	50 to 75cts.
Turnips, per bu	50cts.

Prevention
better than cure. Tutt's Liver Pills will not only cure, but if taken in time will prevent
Sick Headache,
dyspepsia, biliousness, malaria; constipation, jaundice, torpid liver and kindred diseases.
TUTT'S Liver PILLS

For Sale.

We have several farms from 40 to 160 acres, houses and lots, building lots and business lots. Persons wishing to buy or sell will please call on us at our office, S. E. corner square, McKinney.
Thompson & McKinney.
Real Estate Agents.

DONT FORGET THE NUMBER

Hibbits & Martin have purchased the barber shop on South Tenn. street, and have reopened for business. We are prepared to give first-class work and guarantee satisfaction. We don't have shaves by the carload but make them to order when you call for them. Soliciting a part of your patronage. We are yours to serve. Frank & Gene.
4 doors South of C. C. Bank.

Residence for Sale.

Well improved house for sale on College Hill near public school. Apply to Cebe Houston, at Goostree & Houston's.

Tom Scott of Hackberry went to Dallas yesterday to have his eyes doctored.

Work on the octagon stone wall around the court house has begun. The stone arrived Tuesday and dirt was broken for the foundation yesterday by Hunter Ferrell's crew with a five mule team hitched to a plow.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

RELIGIOUS.

Evangelist Burnett is holding a meeting at Melissa this week.

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A collection was made at the Baptist church last Sunday for the purpose of aiding to reduce the debt of the various Baptist educational institutions of the state.

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Rev. Dr. Sampson, for fourteen years a missionary to Greece, now president of Austin college, at Sherman, Texas, preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening. His account of his travels in Palestine and the East were highly interesting.

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Mr. S. W. Crutcher, formerly pastor of the Christian church here but now of Plano, Texas, arrived Wednesday evening on a visit to old friends. If the old gentleman can fully realize how happy the people are to meet him he will feel mighty happy himself. He and his admirable family lived here for five years and the public and individual memory are yet warm toward the whole household. Bro. Crutcher will preach at the Christian church Sunday.—Belton, (Mo.) Herald.

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The answers to the following letter will be made the basis of the sermons at the Christian church next Sunday night and the one following. Answers have been received from a number of those to whom it was sent, and the pastor would be glad to hear from anyone who may read this. The object is not controversy but a search for truth and duty:

McKinney, Tex., Feb. 10, 1898.

Dear Sir:

Desiring to know the difficulties in the way of those who do not accept the Christian religion I have taken the liberty of addressing this enquiry to a number of gentlemen who, I am informed, are not members of any church.

The answers, which will be treated with courtesy and confidential, so far as the identity of the writer is concerned, will be made the basis of one or more sermons which will be duly announced. Please state your objections to Christianity, and your reasons for not being a Christian. An early answer will be appreciated. I am, with sincere desire for your welfare, Yours very truly,
S. K. HALLAM.

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Pastor Hallam's theme at his morning service Sunday last was "Christ and the Children." "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven," and at the evening service it was "The Rich Young Ruler." There were fine congregations at both services, the house being full at night. In fact, all of the services of the church were better attended last Sunday than for some time. There were two additions to the church, the baptizing taking place at the close of the night service. Lura Bass will lead the Juniors next Sunday at 3:30; Miss Mary Bass, the Intermediates; and W. G. Forsythe the Y. P. S. C. E. Subject for C. E. service is "Every Christian a Missionary," Acts 1:1-11. On the first Sunday evening in March the children of the Sunday school will hold services in place of the regular preaching, consisting of recitations, prayers, scripture reading, and review of the Sunday school lesson for the year thus far. A program will appear in this column next week.

Rev. McGee preached two sermons at the Cumberland church Sunday.

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Rector Galbraith preached in Greenville Sunday. He will occupy his pulpit in this city next Sunday.

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The Pastors Association of the city met in Plummer Harris' office Monday morning. Eld S. K. Hallam was elected president, Rev. W. J. McMillan secretary. The association will meet every Monday morning at the same place until further notice.

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The morning service at the Baptist church last Sunday was most interesting and instructive. Bro. King's subject was, "As thy days, so shall thy strength be," Deut. 33d chapter 25th verse. He reviewed the practical phases of life. There were different characters of the human race. Some bounded swiftly along the human pathway like a fleet footed horse, only to attract the admiring observers for a few moments and was over. Others, like the meteor's flash, would dart athwart the horizon, dazzling only for the briefest period the multitude, and then was lost from human gaze in the darkness beyond. Others plod with cautious step by step along the rugged pathway to the point of old age, to the brink of the grave attended always by strength, the gift of Divinity, which even enabled the life struggler to stem the chilly tide and land on a brighter shore. The speaker referred feelingly to the dull routine of the laborer who toils from day to day at one monotonous task without surcease, which seemingly was enough to dwarf the intellect, callous the feelings and drive the poor unfortunate to utter despair. Yet he rejoiced in the Divine promise, "As thy days, so shall thy strength be." Rest and Peace would finally come to crown the faithful efforts of all. The home circle, the "brightest spot of earth" received due attention and was regarded as a Divine gift worthy to be guarded and cherished. Rev. King is certainly a deep thinker, unassuming, conscientious, earnest and faithful.

Seed! Seed! Seed!

Large variety Burpees Onion seed and all kinds garden seed in bulk genuine Bliss Triumph and N. Y. Rose Potatoes and Onion Sets at lowest prices at W. E. Ditto's.

Provine—Thompson.

In the presence of many friends and relatives last evening at the Baptist church, Miss Marguerite Thompson, daughter of J. J. Thompson, was united in marriage to Dr. George H. Provine, a well known young McKinney physician. Dr. Eustace E. King, pastor of the church, officiated. The church was attractively decorated with palms, pot and cut flowers for the occasion. Mrs. E. E. King executed the wedding march on the piano, accompanied by Profs. Wanek, Larison and Wakely with violins.

Cliff McDowell and Dick Burrage were ushers and Dr. A. T. Bryant and Miss Mamie Dowell were attendants. Many congratulations were showered upon the happy pair who were then driven at once to the depot and departed on their wedding trip. They will attend the Mardi Gras at New Orleans and visit other cities before returning to McKinney where they will reside and make their permanent home.

Do you want a good garden? Buy your seed from W. E. Ditto.

D. Orenduff has returned from Whitewright.

George Frierson is in the city.

City candidates are announceing for the various positions.

Mack Shields, clerk at J. B. Rhoden's is furloughing this week on account of chills.

Leslie Shields, who is now holding a good position in Denison, sends for THE DEMOCRAT to keep posted on current home news.

Seed Potatoes, Onion Sets, etc., from best seed growers in the country. Burpee's Onion seed in bulk.
W. E. Ditto.

Mrs. S. O. Scott of Melissa was shopping in McKinney yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Cummins have returned to Ennis.

Mrs. Dr. Pardue entertained the Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society Valentine day.

Mrs. Hunter Ferrell and daughter, Miss Amy, are visiting here.

Miss Edith Collier has returned from Hillsboro.

Miss Florence Withers is visiting here from Floyd.

The fronts of McKinney & Hills store and the Nickle store are being repainted.

M. E. Purnell purchased a bankrupt stock of goods at Sulphur Springs this week.

M. P. Kelly, of Georgetown, is here talking sewerage to our city and county officials.

Homer T. Wilson briefly addressed the pupils of both city schools yesterday.

A Washington birth day concert and entertainment will be given at Heard's opera house Feb. 22 at 8 p. m.

Dr. T. G. Boorman of Princeton has purchased four lots in the Russell addition to McKinney.

Miss Annie Bumpass of Farmersville visited Miss Fannie Allen here last week.

Allen Gatewood came down from Austin college to attend the wedding of his sister at the Baptist church last evening.

Grimy finger marks seem to *grow* on the woodwork about the house. They come easily and they stick, too—unless you get rid of them with

GOLD DUST Washing Powder

It makes all cleaning easy.
THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY,
Chicago. St. Louis. New York. Boston. Philadelphia.

Rev. T. R. Sampson and littt'e daughter, Helen, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Heard during their stay in McKinney Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Dr. Burton entertained the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. church Tuesday, Mrs J. D. Stiff and Mrs. R. E. Carpenter assisted in entertaining the guests.

An old lady named Mrs. Reed died yesterday at the home of her son, T. C. Reed, at Vineland. Burial today at Walnut Grove.

Sheriff Coffey came in from Rusk Tuesday evening and left next morning for Bonham after an escaped convict. The convict having escaped from Faulkner's gang Sunday.

We have something else in our store besides field and garden seed. We have the most complete line Staple and Fancy Groceries at lowest price in city give us a call.
W. E. Ditto.

The ladies of the Methodist Parsonage and Home Mission society met Monday afternoon with Mrs. A. G. Chandler. After business was dispensed with the hostess invited all into the dining room which was beautifully decorated indicative of Valentine day. Ices, cake and coffee were served in the daintiest manner.

Miss Eva Bagley is assistant teacher at the Milligan school during the sickness of her sister, Miss Willie Bagley, the regular assistant.

The Redmen will have a debate at their council meeting tonight. Subject "Resolved that congress ought to abolish the tribal and territorial rights of the Indians in the Territory.

The Havana Catastrophe.

A fearful calamity befell the United States Battleship Maine in the harbor of Havana at 9:45 o'clock, Tuesday night, which is now convulsing the whole world and may lead to serious international results between this country and Spain. At that hour from some unknown cause the great battleship was blown into fragments while two hundred and fifty of its crew were mangled and hurled into eternity.

The ship was built in 1890 at a cost of $2,588,000. Recently it was sent on a friendly mission to Havana with a crew of three hundred and eighty-two men under the command of Capt. Sigsbee. Owing to the unsettled state of affairs in Cuba much feeling was aroused in Spain and among the Spaniards in Cuba over the appearance of the Maine at Havana, though no diplomatic protest was or could be entered. It is not probable that the Spanish government officially inspired the terrible deed but it is probable that some Spaniard floated a torpedo under the American warship, exploding it with awful havoc to the sleeping American sailors. A speedy investigation will be prosecuted and, if possible, the true cause ascertained. Naturally the Spaniards disavow all knowledge or complicity in the dastardly affair. The people of the United States are wought up to an intense feeling and proffers of volunteers are being received at Washington from every state in the Union to enlist should war with Spain be precipitated which many now regard as inevitable.

Crane evidently regards Sayers as his most formidable opponent The McKinney Examiner sent out some literature with its issue this week violently attacking the "sage of Bastrop".

COUNCIL CONCLAVE.

Fixes Rate Of Taxation For This Year—Resignation of Henry C. Herndon.

In order that they might attend the Homer T. Wilson lecture at night the city fathers convened in regular monthly session Tuesday at 4 P M instead of as usual at 7 P M. Mayor Pearson, Aldermen Wilson, Emerson, McDonald, Shain and Newsome and clerk Dowell were present. The routine business was rapidly expedited, such as receiving and filing monthly reports of city officials and allowing current expense accounts.

The written resignation of Alderman Henry C. Herndon was read by clerk Dowell and accepted by council. For twenty years Mr. Herndon has been a member of this body, always vigilant of the city's interest, enterprising and ever mindful of his duty even to the minutest detail. His absence from the council board, which is due to his removal from the city to Mineral Wells, is a loss to our town not easily repaired and his resignartion was regretfully received by his colleagues.

M. H. Garnett's report on drafting ordinance and bond form was read by the mayor and accepted by the council.

Emerson for committee on receiving waterworks bonds lithographing bids reported and as per his recommendation a Saint Louis firm was given the contract. Sixty $500 bonds each with eighty coupons attached will be printed-lithographed and sold. Already offers have been made for the bonds above par, so no trouble will be encountered on that score.

Mayor Pearson appointed Messrs Howell E. Smith, J. W. Waddill and Yancy Powell a committee to examine the books of city officials and report on the condition of its offairs. His action was approved. An election was ordered for April 5 to choose an alderman in each of the wards two, three and four and two aldermen in ward one, a marshal, treasurer, assessor and collector, secretary and city engineer.

Messrs Shrader, Newsome, McDonald and Wilson were made a committee to confer with the civil engineer now surveying the city and assist him in locating routes for layingwater mains and probable laying of sewers by the city in the near future.

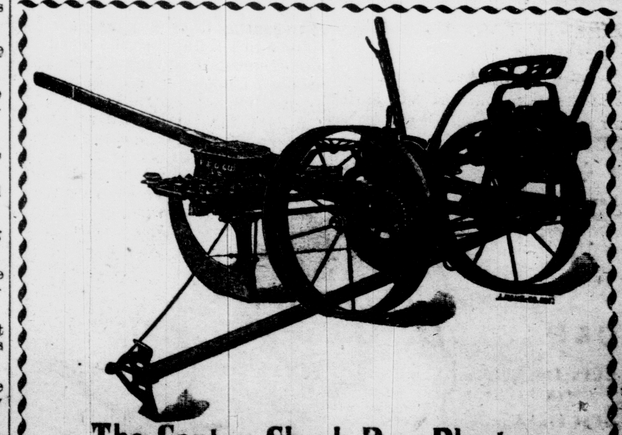
This being the time for fixing rate of taxation the following schedule was agreed upon by the council which is the same as heretofore existing with the exception of the water works tax:

Waterworks Bonds 15cts on $100,
School Bonds 10 cts on $100,
Railroad Bonds 10cts on $100,
Special School Bonds 25 c on $100,
General Tax Bonds 25c on $100.
Occupation Taxes unchanged.

A petition signed by seventy property owners was presented the council praying for an extension of East Standifer street from the H & T C railway through the Russell addition. Aldermen Shain, Newsome and Wilson were appointed a committee to interview property owners along line of proposed street and report back to council. The Council then adjourned.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Everett went to Farmersville Monday after a visit to relatives in McKinney. Mr. Everett has lately returned from the New York market where he purchased a spring stock for his firm.

Fifteen prisoners are confined in the county jail.



The Canton Check Row Planter.

This machine has been on the market for a number of years and is no stranger to the farmers of Collin county, but we desire to call attention to some of the improvements that have been made during the last season which makes the *Canton* better than ever. We now have the machine so arranged as to plant both corn and cotton, checking or drilling either, as desired by the operator, with unerring precision. We also have an automatic reel which winds up the wire with the team and is a considerable saving of time and labor to the operator, besides reeling the wire up in a better shape than it can possibly be done by hand.

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Real Estate Transfers.

List of real estate transfers filed for record in the county clerk's office McKinney, Texas, Week ending Feb. 11, 1898.

R B Semple to G D Lewis, 15a W C Twitty sur, $1.00 quit claim.

R M Brown to John Lewis, 20a S B Hill sur, $300.

L A Scott to W A Sanders, lots 3 and 4 in division No 8, Melissa, $100.

A G Steel and wife to W J Berry, 55a, S D Terry sur, $[illegible].

J H Wilson to Lee Wilson, 1/8 int. in 5 tracts of land. 1st, 976-100 a ThosG Kennedy sur; 2nd, 94[illegible] a R P Murray sur; 3rd, 87[illegible] A Perrin sur; 4th, 29[illegible] sur; 5th, 14a A B [illegible] $450.

L H Bostick to J P [illegible] S D Terry sur, $27.

J C B Moore [illegible] Morrow 46a, W [illegible] $1000.

Bettie Parlow to W D Means, part of L, W [illegible] $100.

Augustus J. Kay [illegible] Staples 30[illegible] $150.

T C [illegible] to S D [illegible] sur, $[illegible]

R [illegible]

J M Griffin, 75a, Oliver Hedgcoxe sur, $75.

John F Chandler and wife to Robt. Echols, 31 1-4a, Jonas Dawson sur, $1250.

J D Pennington and wife to Kittie B Crenshaw, N. half Blk. 2 F M Thompson addition to McKinney $130.

W J S Russell and wife to A L Reneau, lot 9 in blk, 4. W J S Russell Add to McKinney.

J A Moreland and wife to J B Lawson 5 31-100a, C T Clift, $150.

J A Moreland and wife to J K Moreland 20a, C T Clift $500.

M S Metz to J F Duff 40a, Samuel Burton sur, $600.

Constable T. E. Milstead and Deputy Sheriff C. B. Bridges of Fannin, Co., were seriously if not mortally wounded Feb. 10, while trying to arrest some outlaws near Red River. The fight was a hot one and despite their wounds the brave officers succeeded in killing two of the gang.

Rich and valuable ore is said to have been discovered in Hartley county, Texas. The finders quietly boxed and shipped some of the ore to Leadville, Colo., and the assayer reports their specimen to contain paying quantities of gold and silver.

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Evolution.

TO BE FULFILLED.

Oh, not for the great departed,
Who formed our country's laws,
And not for the bravest hearted
Who died in freedom's cause,
And not for some living hero
To whom all bend the knee,
My muse would raise her song of praise—
But for the man to be.

For out of the strife which woman
Is passing through to-day,
A man that is more than human
Shall be born, I say;
A man in whose pure spirit
No dross of self will lurk;
A man who is strong to cope with wrong,
A man who is proud to work.

A man with hope undaunted,
A man with god-like power,
Shall come when he most is wanted,
Shall come at the needed hour.
He shall silence the din and clamor
Of clan disputing with clan,
And toil's long fight with purse-proud might
Shall triumph through this man

I know he is coming, coming,
To help to guide; to save,
Though I hear no martial drumming,
And see no flags that wave;
But the great soul-travail of woman,
And the bold free thought unfurled,
Are heralds that say he is on the way—
The coming man of the world.

Mourn not for the vanished ages,
With their great heroic men.
Who dwell in history's pages,
And live in the poet's pen.
For the grandest times are before us,
And the world is yet to see
The noblest worth of this old earth
In the men that are to be.

—ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

Obituary.

On the morning of January 14th 1898, at Rockwall, Texas, death claimed as lovely and true a wife and mother as ever brightened home or graced a castle, Mrs. Laura Lee Heath, the wife of William H. Heath. She was daughter of William on M. and Bettie Walker of McKinney, Texwhere she was born on Februar 28th, 1868. She was interred in the Rockwall cemetery. She leaves a husband and three little children, a mother and two sisters and a brother and a large host of friends to mourn her untimely loss. The entire family was at her bedside nine days before her death, and there remained and did all in their power to soothe and comfort her. When only fourteen years of age she gave her tender heart to God and joined the M. E. church south, of McKinney, Texas, to which church she remained a consistent member to the day of her death; when only thirty years of age the summons came and she was ready, as she proudly stated while she was dying. She said, "I am going home, I am happy, sweet oh, how sweet, some one has taken my cough from me and is standing by me and doing my coughing for me. What are you all crying for? you ought to rejoice." Then she requested all to so live as to meet her in heaven, also had her unconverted husband promise to be converted and join the church and raise their little children up right and meet her in heaven, also had Johnie, her only brother, to promise to become a christian and join the church and live a true and constant christian life and meet her in heaven. Life promised fair but death developed fast and in a few short fleeting hours after she had made her loving requests, the lovely spirit was gone. Such is the earth side of the picture. Could we catch a glimpse beyond the veil, we might see in contrast the rapture of a glorified spirit done for ever with the sorrows of earth. One seldom sees such beautiful symmetrical character as Mrs. Laura Lee Heath, possessed from her childhood. When she was a little school girl at McKinney, Texas, one day a poor little fatherless girl came to school, her wardrobe was that of needy, While the other children were laughing and making fun of the poor child Laura Walker pinned her clothing as best she could, and told the little child that when she went home to have her mother fix them up better. She often spoke—during her illness, of her christian father who died 17 years ago, at his home in McKinney, Texas, also her little brother Tommie who died soon after her father and, her first child that died while only 3 years old, she said: "Oh! Ma I see little Horace now, don't you see him, he is in my arms now, Oh! that sweet child, he is petting and patting me now." It has been my happy lot, to know sister Laura since she was 10-months-old. We should all live so as to die as this young life ended. No girl ever possessed a truer heart or a better disposition than her, no one ever knew her only to love her. It was a heart rending scene to see her neighbors come and gather around her while she was dying and strong men and women crying like children that were heart broken. We should all live so as to die as this young life ended its mission on earth, and went to join the blood washed throng. W. J. WALKER.

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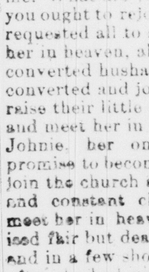

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COFFMAN CATCHES.

School Notes and Community Happenings.

Feb. 11, 1898.

An entertainment was given at the Coffman school house Friday night by the pupils and others.

H. E. Christmen and George Maiden attended the debate at Ash Grove Saturday night.

Mr. Shepherd, county superintendent visited our school at Coffman Friday Feb. 4th, and made us a talk which every one appreciated.

Owing to the cold weather Wednesday night Mr. George Coffman pump to his windmill froze and bursted.

Miss Mary Loflice and Mr. George Maiden are on the sick list.

Dick Ashley and Miss Lula Pippins were married recently Miss Pippins was a pupil of this school.

Bro. C. M. Drew of the Christian church has been holding a protracted meeting at Anna the past week.

The wheat crop in this part of the county looks fine, most of the farmers around here are sowing oats.

J. B. Blair says he is going to raise five cent cotton and hold for ten.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Judd Tuesday, a big boy.

Bonnie Coffman, little daughter of George Coffman, is among the sick.

It has been reported that there has been several mad-dogs seen around here.

Mr. Will Milligan and wife of Wise county are visiting his father Edward Milligan, living near Coffman.

We have a first class school at Coffman this year, our teacher is Prof. G. W. Scoggins.

G. W. J.

Weston Local Institute.

Weston, Tex., Feb. 14, '98.

The Weston Local Institute met Feb. 12, with a large attendance. The following subjects were discussed arousing much interest:

Professional Reading Among Teachers.—Mrs. J. W. Miller.

What Constitutes Good Order.—J. B. Warren.

How May Penmanship be Taught.—G. W. Scoggins.

Primary Spelling.—Miss Jesse Bateman.

Arithmetic, Decimals.—J. W. Crowder.

The Object of Recitation.—I. W. Taylor.

Several patrons of Weston school were present and took active part in the discussions. Several questions were asked by patrons about teaching children at home and how to teach them. All such questions were satisfactorily answered by teachers of the Institute.

A committee was appointed to arrange the program for next Institute as follows: Profs. W. M. Ervis, J. B. Warren and G. W. Scoggins. Anyone having a special subject that they would like to hear discussed will please send it to anyone of the above committee, before the Central Institute meets.

J. W. MILLER, Ch'm.
G. W. SCOGGINS, Sec.

POPULISTS NOTICE.

To expedite the taking of the Referendum vote, territory has been assigned as follows to the several members of the Referendum committee, to whom the chairmen in the respective states will make their report:

Paul Dixon, Chillicothe, Mo.
Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Utah, Colorado, California, Wyoming, Nevada,

L. D. Reynolds, Chicago, Ill.
Oregon, Montana, Washington, Idaho, Nebraska, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois.

Harry Tracy, Dallas, Texas.
Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi.

Chas. McGregor, Atlanta, Ga.
Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia.

A. H. Motsinger, Shoals, Ind.
Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Dist. of Columbia, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire.

PEOPLE'S PARTY REFERENDUM BALLOT.

Date.....

Believing in the principles of the people's party and favoring independent party action and not having voted on the annexed proposition, I vote as follows:

PROPOSITIONS.

1. Do you favor a national convention being held, pending the campaign of 1898, for the purpose of promoting the welfare and declaring the future policy of the party?

Vote.....
Yes; or No.

2. Which of the following dates is your choice for holding a National Convention for the nomination of presidential candidates for the peoples party?

July 4, 1898. May 26, 1899. Feb. 22, 1900.

Vote.....
Write on this line your choice of above dates.

My name is.....

Postoffice.....County.....State.....

Note—This ballot may be used at township, precinct or ward referendum meetings called for that purpose by the county or township chairman, or by five loyal populists. County chairmen should attend these meetings, explain the Referendum, and report the result of the vote to the chairman of the state organization committee of his state, not later than April 20, 1898, who will tabulate the vote by counties and report by May 1, 1898, through the Referendum committeeman who has charge of the territory in which the vote is taken, to the chairman of the National Organization committee, Milton Park, Dallas, Texas. In addition to these meetings, committeemen and workers everywhere are uged to see that each township, precinct and ward is canvassed so that every member of the party will have o chance to vote. Any populist may fill out his ballot and deliver it to any township or county chairman, or mail it to his State Organization chairman.

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Pittsburg Pa., suffered from fire flames to the amount one and one-half million dollars. Beside death to eleven people Feb. 10. twenty seven are missing and eighteen injured.

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A 32 page pamphlet containing several hundred testimonials, accompanied by a pen portrait of the writer, covering cures of catarrh in all forms and stages by Pe-ru-na, will be sent free to any who desires it by The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Samuel T. Abbott connected with the "Progress" a newspaper of Shreveport, La., shot and killed a negro at that place February 10.

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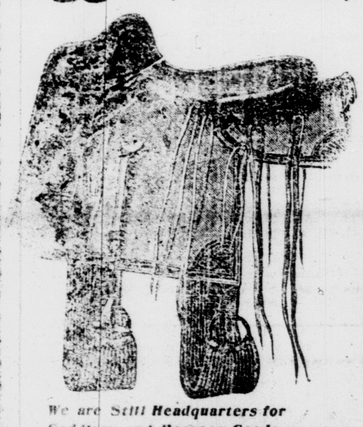

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